

## House Resolution No. 4870

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize individuals and organizations that have contributed to the welfare of this great state and its citizens; and

**Whereas**, the members now pause to recognize The Spanish Society, which is observing its eightieth anniversary with a special celebration to be held on September 29, 2007, during their annual picnic; and

**Whereas**, The Spanish Society, located at 7107 Michigan Avenue in St. Louis, was established in the Carondelet South Side neighborhood in 1927, when a group of Spanish immigrants from the Asturias region of northern Spain settled there with their families and built the Society; and

**Whereas**, The Spanish Society has a ladies auxiliary – the Spanish American Girls Society, a sports hall of fame, and a Rana League in the fall and winter months, and it has become the center for many social activities in the neighborhood, including serving as an American Legion Post and a place for children to play soccer and baseball; and

**Whereas**, The Spanish Society has a special reason for celebrating this year, as they have successfully completed a fund-raising program that enables them to install new windows at their club through the Facade Program, sponsored by the City of St. Louis; and

**Whereas**, The Spanish Society is associated with the Asturian-American Migration Forum, whose goals are to bring together the descendants of families who migrated from Asturias, contemporary Asturians, and interested others; to promote learning about Asturian culture; to explore the broad social networks connecting Asturian immigrant communities to one another and to Spain; to discuss common interests; and to share family histories and experiences:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to extend our sincerest best wishes to La Sociedad Espanola and its president, Tom Pelizzaro, on the illustrious occasion of its eightieth anniversary and to wish them every success in the future; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for The Spanish Society.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Thomas A. Villa  
District No. 108

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 4870, adopted September 26, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker